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In the Application of: Gino Colonico

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stagnation zone in an injection molding apparatus

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

By way of Preliminary Amendment, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.